## **Pretrial Conferences**

Pretrial conferences will be held on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. or as the court may schedule. The parties shall confer and file a Joint Pretrial Statement pursuant to the Preliminary Pretrial Order. Requests for a continuance of a pretrial conference shall be expedited and only be considered with 48 hours' notice. Absent a court approved continuance, the parties must appear at the scheduled time of the pretrial conference. Failure to appear at the scheduled pretrial conference may subject the parties to sanctions in the form of dismissal of the complaint for want of prosecution or any other action the court deems appropriate.